

MINUTES

MEETING OF: Senior Commission
DATE OF MEETING: March 8, 2012
TIME OF MEETING: 3:30 p.m.
PLACE OF MEETING: Senior Center

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Nelson called the Regular Meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL was by the secretary as follows:

Present: Nelson, Pearson, Savary, and Tweedy
Absent: Surridge

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Savary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On motion by Commissioner Savary, the minutes of the February 9, 2012 meeting were approved.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. **AGENDA ITEM # 0312-1 SUMMARY REPORT – (ACTION)**
On motion by Commissioner Pearson, Commission accepted the February 9, 2012 Senior Commission meeting summary report.
AYES: Nelson, Pearson, Savary, and Tweedy
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Surridge
NOES: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: Ray Pearson
Carlsbad, CA 92008

Citizen Pearson spoke about the predicted financial cutbacks to Carlsbad Unified School District (C.U.S.D.) Pearson encouraged commission to do what they could to support the city and the district in working together to address the issue.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

2. **AGENDA ITEM # 0312-2 PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT UPDATE (INFORMATION)**
Recreation Services Manager, Sue Spickard gave an update on Parks & Recreation activities. Question was asked if the Recreation Area Manager position will be filled. Spickard said the position is in the budget. Beginning next week a consultant firm, Baker Tilly will be evaluating the Parks &

Recreation department and making recommendations. The goal is to ensure we are providing high quality services in the most efficient manner. Other departments will be going through this assessment process with Baker Tilly.

3. AGENDA ITEM # 0312-3 BABY-BOOMER OUTREACH - DISCUSSION

California was selected to host the 2013-2014 Senior Olympics. This is a great opportunity to host one or several venues in Carlsbad. Commissioner Pearson knows one of the leads on the Senior Olympics committee in San Diego and plans to get in touch with him to find out more information.

Intergenerational Participation – Mentorship to high school or junior college students. Baby-Boomers and seniors in general can mentor the younger generation. Once the criteria is selected the next step is to make an appointment with school administrators and teachers to plan an agenda.

Commissioner Tweedy made a suggestion to have a Poetry Slam. This is a competition in which you recite original work based on a format you choose. Seniors will compete against students. The outcome will be that each generation learns something from the other generation.

4. AGENDA ITEM # 0312-4 VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION CELEBRATION (INFORMATION)

Commission agreed to the date of Saturday, March 24, 2012. Commissioners will partake in welcoming the guests. The time of the event will be 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. High Noon Rotary will help with the serving and attending the bar. Jack Risley, Recreation Supervisor said the planning of the event is on schedule and it looks like we will have a great turnout.

5. AGENDA ITEM # 0312-5 SENIOR CENTER REPORT (ACTION)

On motion by Commissioner Pearson, Commission accepted and approved an oral report on donations, ongoing activities and on upcoming events given by Recreation Services Manager, Sue Spickard.

AYES: Nelson, Pearson, Savary, and Tweedy

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Surridge

NOES: None

Sue Spickard thanked the Rotary for offering to repair 14 benches and plant flowers and do plant maintenance at the senior center. Sue thanked Commissioner Savary for recommending the senior center to be the recipients' of the Rotary Day of Service.

Keeping it green, starting next month, the senior center agenda packet will be sent out via email. Hard copy will be furnished upon request.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

How can the senior commission help with the C.U.S.D. shortfall?
Baby Boomer Outreach.

ADJOURNMENT:

By proper motion, the Regular Meeting of March 8, 2012 was adjourned at 4:36 p.m. to the Volunteer Recognition Event.

Kris Westland
Secretary